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SUBJ: AFL-CIO PROGRAM IN PORTUGAL

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1. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE OF EMBASSY PARIS
(LABATT CONDON) OR DEPARTMENT IN PASSING SUBSTANCE OF
FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO AFL-CIO REPRESENTATIVE IRVING BROWN.
EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS BROWN LEAVING PARIS FOR WASHINGTON IN
MID-DECEMBER FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

2. PELAGIO MADUREIRA, LABOR ADVISOR TO PRIME MINISTER
SOARES, REQUESTED ASSISTANCE OF LABATT IN CONVEYING TO BROWN
SOCIALIST PARTY'S INTEREST IN FOLLOWING UP LABOR TRAINING
PROPOSAL BROWN MADE DURING VISIT TO SOCIALIST CONGRESS.
MADUREIRA UNCERTAIN AS TO NEXT STEP BUT SUGGESTED USEFULNESS
OF FURTHER CONVERSATIONS WITH BROWN OR OTHER AFL-CIO
REPRESENTATIVE. MADUREIRA EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO TRAVEL
TO GENEVA OR PARIS IF NECESSARY BUT SUGGESTED THAT CONVERSATIONS
COULD MORE USEFULLY BE HELD IN LISBON.

3. TYPE OF ASSISTANCE: MADUREIRA APPRECIATED BROWN'S
SENSITIVITY TO IMPLICATIONS OF PUBLIC AFL-CIO SUPPORT
FOR LABOR TRAINING IN PORTUGAL. MADUREIRA SUGGESTED IT WOULD
BE USEFUL TO CHANNEL AFL-CIO SUPPORT THROUGH AN INDEPENDENT
LABOR INSTITUTE WHICH WOULD BE CREATED IN PORTUGAL. THIS
WOULD HAVE ADDITIONAL ADVANTAGE OF SEPARATING AFL-CIO SUPPORT
FROM THAT GIVEN TO CENTER FOR LISBON STUDIES (CES) BY GERMAN
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FRIEDRICH EBERT FOUNDATION. MADUREIRA HOPED THAT AFL-CIO

ASSISTANCE COULD BE QUOTE PRIVATE END QUOTE I.E. NON-ATTRIBUTED, AT LEAST AT BEGINNING.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING REACTION BROWN MAY HAVE TO FOREGOING AND WOULD BE WILLING TO RELAY HIS RESPONSE TO MADUREIRA AND SECRETARY OF STATE FOR LABOR, MALDONADO GONELHA, IF BROWN DESIRES.

5. COMMENT: EMBASSY HOPES TO EXTEND LEADER GRANT INVITATION TO MADUREIRA IN FEBRUARY OR MARCH WHICH WOULD ENABLE HIM TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH AFL-CIO IN THE U.S. HOWEVER, URGENCY OF NEED IS SUCH THAT WE HOPE IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO GET PROGRAM UNDER WAY PRIOR TO THAT TIME.
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